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1. The reply filed on July 15, 2003 is not fully responsive to the prior Office action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Applicants continue to not elect a combination of specific polymer with specific cross-linking agent. All the claims are now generic to all the cross-linking agents, however, a specific cross-linking agent still must be chosen. The claims remaining, which include claims 34-38, are each drawn to different polymers and are, therefore, not generic. Choice of a single specific polymer must be made in combination with a single specific cross-linking agent in order for election to be complete. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. Extensions of this time period may be granted under 37 CFR 1.136(a).


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